

Fair tonight and Thursday.
Slightly colder Thursday.

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German Entry Likely Winner Of Cup Race

Pommern Lahds at Asbury Park—Distance 1,000 Miles.

Believed All Records in Aerial Navigation Are Broken.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—The German balloon Pommern, with Sky Pilot Oscar Erbsloeh, landed today within a few yards of the Atlantic ocean at Bradley Beach, Asbury Park. It sailed a few minutes after 4 o'clock Monday afternoon from St. Louis in the international balloon contest for the James Gordon Bennett Cup, and landed at five minutes after 10 o'clock in the yard of Steiner & Sons' nightshirt factory, at Bradley Beach.

The German entry in the contest had thus smashed all American records for ballooning, and for the first time had accomplished what was heretofore considered an impossible feat—the crossing of the Allegheny mountains.

Traveled One Thousand Miles. It is believed that this establishes the record for a balloon flight, even exceeding the flight made by the French balloon from Paris into Russia. The distance in a straight line from St. Louis to where the Pommern came down is more than a thousand miles.

The Pommern came very near carrying its passengers, Pilot Erbsloeh and Aid Henry N. Clayton, into the ocean before it was successfully landed. They first tried to land back of Bradley Beach, a half mile from the ocean, but as they came down the anchor rope fouled a tree, and the aeronauts were held there for several minutes.

The Pommern was sighted over Bryn Mawr, Pa., twelve miles west of Philadelphia at 8 a. m. She was moving along at a good clip, and not more than 1,000 feet in air.

Brushed Tree Tops. From Bryn Mawr the Pommern passed over Roxboro, forty minutes later, and then past Holmesburg. At the latter place is the county prison, and there the telescope was turned on the flying aeronauts. The German flag was plainly distinguished. She was trailing low, her flying trail rope brushing the tops of trees here and there.

From Holmesburg the Pommern sailed on to Beverly, N. J. No difficulty had been experienced in crossing the Delaware river, and apparently the pilot, Oscar Erbsloeh, had his aerostat well under control. The appearance of the balloon was utterly unexpected, and caused the greatest wonderment.

**Maj. Hersey Lands
First of Entries;
Sailed 650 Miles**

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 23.—Each of the nine balloons in the international long-distance race that began at the Aero Club grounds bids fair to eclipse the record of 400 miles that Lieutenant Lahn made when he won the cup in the first contest in Europe a year ago. Frequent messages to the club officials today showed that most of the balloonists, although greatly separated by variable winds, are maintaining a gallant race westward.

The first aeronaut to land was Major Hersey, of the Weather Bureau, who

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THE WEATHER REPORT.

The probabilities for tonight and Thursday point to a continuance of fair weather in all parts of the Washington forecast district. It will be somewhat colder in the lower lake region, and the northern portion of the middle Atlantic States; elsewhere the changes will be unimportant. The outlook for several days of moderate temperatures and fair weather is good.

The winds along the middle Atlantic coast will be fresh southwesterly; on the south Atlantic coast light and variable, and on the east Gulf coast light and variable, mostly northeasterly. Steamers departing today for European ports will have fresh southerly winds and fair weather to the Grand Banks.

TEMPERATURE.
9 a. m. 56
12 noon 62
1 p. m. 60

SUN TABLE.
Sun sets today 5:11
Sun rises tomorrow 6:18

TIDE TABLE.
High water today 9:33 p. m.
Low water today 3:50 p. m.
High water tomorrow 10:10 a. m., 10:20 p. m.
Low water tomorrow 4:20 a. m., 4:34 p. m.

HARPERS FERRY, W. Va., Oct. 23.—
Both rivers clear.

TRAIN SPEEDS AS PRESIDENT STARTS SPEECH

Mistake in Railroad Orders at Roanoke Causes a Hitch.

Roosevelt's Car Pulled Past Crowd to "Y" in Yards.

ROANOKE, Va., Oct. 23.—A mistake in train orders came near costing Roanoke its chance to hear President Roosevelt speak today. With the Executive waiting on the back platform of his private car, with his mouth open, ready to begin talking, the locomotive rumbled up to the station. He shut it again and gritted his teeth, however, when the train sailed straight ahead, without stopping, to a "Y" in the railroad yards, some distance away. The crowd looked astonished for a minute, and then groaned. It did not take long to correct the mistake. The President's car backed up to the station again, and just as it stopped a little girl waved her hand to the Executive from a passing buggy and called: "I'm going to school."

"That's right," cried the President, waving his hand in return. "I have a little girl at home, and she's going to school, too."

Then he spoke briefly on "Good Citizenship." The train arrived here at 3:30 a. m. and stayed only a few minutes. The President is due in Washington at 4 p. m.

**B. H. WARNER
WILL CONTEST
PEARRE'S SEAT**

Candidate Has Lived in Montgomery County For Fifteen Years.

One of the most important political announcements of this year, so far as Washington and its vicinity are concerned, is the formal affirmation this afternoon by Brainerd H. Warner, of Washington and Maryland, that he is a candidate for Representative Pearre's seat in the House, from Maryland.

When asked about the rumor that he would be a candidate next summer and fall, Mr. Warner said:

"I will be a candidate for Congress on the Republican ticket, from the Sixth District of Maryland next year. I have lived in Montgomery county about fifteen years, and for many years previous to that, took quite an active interest in its politics."

"My home is at Kensington; in fact, I founded that town, and have aided in building up a fine suburb there."

"Under ordinary circumstances, I would not care for the office, but, as my business career is about rounded out, I would like an opportunity to spend a few years in public life."

"Of course, there will be several other candidates, and I will have to take my chance with the rest. I have always been a strong supporter of Col. George A. Peck, who represents the district, at present."

**TWO LIVES LOST
AS SHIP BURNS**

PORTLAND, Oregon, Oct. 23.—The steamer J. N. T. was burned at her dock this morning. Mrs. A. Jackson, of Stevenson, Wash., and John Collins, of Portland, were burned to death.

**JAPANESE ESCAPES
FROM ST. ELIZABETH'S**

Katsuburo Mori, a Japanese, who had been an inmate at the Government Hospital for the Insane for some time, escaped about 8 o'clock this morning. Mori, who was known as a "trustee," and was given the freedom of the grounds, walked out one of the gates while the guard had his back turned.

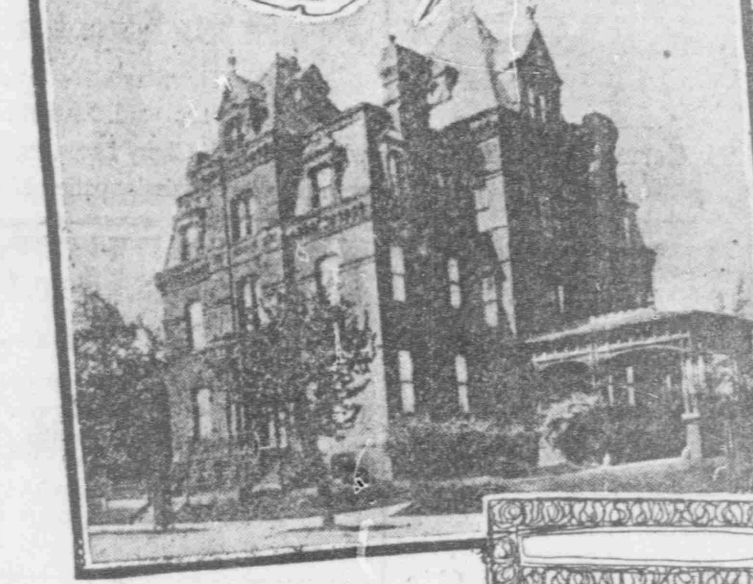
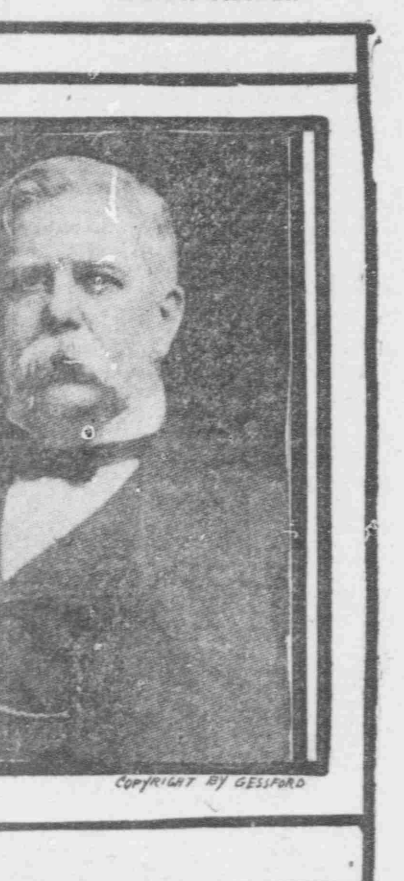
Although his disappearance was discovered after he had been gone only a few minutes, and the police immediately requested to maintain a lookout, no trace had been found of the Jap up to noon.

Mori is twenty-four years old. He wore a corduroy coat and was bareheaded.

New York, 2 p. m.—Call money quoted at 90 per cent. Westinghouse Company in Crash By Failure of Security Concern, And Pittsburg 'Change Is Closed

GEORGE H. WESTINGHOUSE, JR.,
Who Is Working His Way Up in His Father's Plants Near Pittsburg.

GEORGE H. WESTINGHOUSE, SR.,
Founder of the Great Air Brake and Electric Concerns.



The Washington Home of the Westinghouses on Dupont Circle, Formerly the Blaine Mansion.

Knickerbocker Trust Fails to Open Doors; Alarm Unchecked

Star Savings Bank Is Assaulted by Scared Depositors.

Hundreds Stood in Line Nearly All Night Hoping to Recover.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—The financial disturbance which brought about the collapse of the Knickerbocker Trust Company, after it had paid out to depositors \$5,000,000 in cash yesterday, swept on unchecked today, threatening other banks.

The Knickerbocker company failed to resume payments today, either at its main office, 66 Broadway, or any of its three big branches.

Hundreds of depositors gathered in lines at the Fifth Avenue, Harlem, and Bronx branches. Many of them took their positions as early as midnight in the hope of being among the first to recover their savings. A great many of those who spent part of the night in line were women.

In State's Hands.
Shortly before 10 o'clock today Acting Bank Superintendent Skinner posted a notice on the doors of the main office of the Knickerbocker, on Fifth Avenue, that the State Banking Department has taken possession of that institution.

The money trouble spread all over New York today, and extended to other cities.

Early in the day a run began on the Star Savings Bank, next door to the Bronx branch of the Knickerbocker Trust Company. It was expected that the prediction made yesterday by Vice

**\$1,500,000 Check
Closed Bank Door**

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—It developed today that it was the presentation of a check for \$1,500,000 in favor of the Hanover National Bank that precipitated the suspension of the Knickerbocker Trust Company.

A bank messenger had been waiting in line at the downtown office at 66 Broadway. When he finally reached the paying teller's window he handed in the check. There was a breathless delay, and then the money was counted out to him. He had not finished packing it in his valise when the paying teller closed his window.

President Turnbull, of the Knickerbocker, said there would be a run on every bank in the city today, would prove true.

Corielyou on Scene.
Secretary of the Treasury George B. Corielyou went to the subtreasury at 9:30 o'clock, and established his headquarters there.

He will remain in New York until the crisis is over, taking personal charge of the relief measures. There were early morning conferences at the office of J.

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"Great Big" Chrysanthemums.
Gude is showing excellent specimens of these sturdy fall flowers. 1214 F.—Adv.

DROPS IN STOCKS THIS MORNING

Westinghouse Electric.....	\$44.00
Air Brake.....	35.00
Delaware & Hudson.....	8.00
Northern Pacific.....	3.00
Atchafalpa.....	2.00
General Electric.....	16.00
Union Pacific.....	4.50
Copper.....	1.50
Smelter, pf.....	2.75
Illinois Central.....	1.00
Canadian Pacific.....	2.50
Anaconda.....	2.50
Reading.....	4.50

J. P. MORGAN'S AID FAILED THE BANK; IT WAS PROMISED

Wall Street Wondering What Financier's Attitude Is in Crisis.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—J. Pierpont Morgan's attitude in the present crisis is a puzzle to Wall Street. After making a tacit pledge that he would provide \$5,000,000 to aid the Knickerbocker Trust in its extremity, it is asserted that he failed to make the promise good, and it was largely due to his failure to come to the rescue that the company had to close its doors.

The Morgan firm was driven out of the open use of vast funds of the New York Life Insurance by the investigation that was brought out through the Harriman use of the Equitable Company's funds, and Wall Street has a story that Morgan is about to take advantage of the present opportunity to even the account with Harriman and the Standard Oil crowd.

Whatever may be his purpose, it is known that he has been buying vast blocks of Illinois Central, which Stuyvesant Fish has been trying to wrest out of the Harriman control in the last few days, and that his brokers have also been active in gobbling up every share of Union Pacific that has been offered.

**STOCK EXCHANGE
WILL NOT CLOSE
SAYS SECRETARY**

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Officials of Air Brake Concern Assert Solvency.

Attorneys Will Ask for Receiver This Afternoon.

Stock Trading Pit to Remain Idle Until Monday.

PITTSBURG, Oct. 23.—The Pittsburg Stock Exchange did not open today, by request of the clearing house. The secretary of the exchange made the following statement:

"The exchange has closed for the day at the request of the Pittsburg clearing house. The board of directors, acting upon this request, has ordered the exchange closed."

President R. C. Hall, of the Pittsburg Stock Exchange, shortly before noon, issued the following formal statement:

"The Security Investment Company finds itself involved. This will necessitate the temporary suspension or receivership of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company, the Westinghouse Machine Company, and the Westinghouse Lamp Company. The manufacturing companies are in an absolutely solvent condition. The condition of the Security Investment Company will in no way affect the Union Switch and Signal Company, or the Westinghouse Air Brake Company."

Counsel for the Westinghouse interests announce that application for receivers for the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company, the Westinghouse Machine Company, and the Westinghouse Lamp Company, the last named being a purely Westinghouse company, will probably be made in the United States District Court in this city this afternoon. Beyond this the attorneys will not talk.

**E. G. Benedict Appointed
Receiver for Mayer & Co.
Who Failed for \$6,000,000**

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—Justice Holt, in the United States district court, today appointed Edward G. Benedict receiver for the stock brokerage firm of Mayer & Co., which failed for \$6,000,000 yesterday. Bond was fixed at \$100,000.

The failure of Mayer & Co. was announced in the stock exchange yesterday just before the close. Mayer & Co., with offices at 11 Wall street, notified the managers of the exchange at 2:45 o'clock that they were unable to continue, and that an assignment had been made for the benefit of their creditors. It was announced at once on the floor

**1,000,000 lbs.,
The
Greatest
Known Lift,
Raised
By Strongest
Man in the
World!
Read the
Amazing
Account in the
Sunday
Times**